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Austria

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Group D - Matchday 8



Georgia

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Previous meetings

Head to Head

FIFA World Cup

Date	Stage reached	Match	Result	Venue	Goalscorers
05/09/2016	QR (GS)	Georgia - Austria	1-2	Tbilisi	Ananidze 78; Hinteregger 16, Janko 42

	Qualifying								Final tournament				Total					
	Home				Away													
	Pld	W	D	L	Pld	W	D	L	Pld	W	D	L	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
Total																		
Austria	-	-	-	-	1	1	0	0	-	-	-	-	1	1	0	0	2	1
Georgia	1	0	0	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	0	0	1	1	2

Squad list

Austria

No.	Player	DoB	Age	Club	D	Current season					
						Qual.		FT			
						Pld	Gls	Pld	Gls		
Goalkeepers											
-	Heinz Lindner	17/07/1990	27	Grasshoppers	-	3	0	0	0		
-	Daniel Bachmann	09/07/1994	23	Watford	-	0	0	0	0		
-	Markus Kuster	22/02/1994	23	Mattersburg	-	0	0	0	0		
Defenders											
-	David Alaba	24/06/1992	25	Bayern	-	7	0	0	0		
-	Aleksandar Dragović	06/03/1991	26	Leverkusen	*	7	0	0	0		
-	Stefan Lainer	27/08/1992	25	Salzburg	-	2	0	0	0		
-	Martin Hinteregger	07/09/1992	24	Augsburg	*	7	2	0	0		
-	Moritz Bauer	25/01/1992	25	Rubin	-	0	0	0	0		
-	Philipp Lienhart	11/07/1996	21	Freiburg	-	0	0	0	0		
-	Maximilian Wöber	04/02/1998	19	Ajax	-	0	0	0	0		
Midfielders											
-	Julian Baumgartlinger	02/01/1988	29	Leverkusen	*	6	0	0	0		
-	Stefan Ilsanker	18/05/1989	28	Leipzig	-	4	0	0	0		
-	Martin Harnik	10/06/1987	30	Hannover	-	5	1	0	0		
-	Stefan Hierländer	03/02/1991	26	Sturm	-	0	0	0	0		
-	Florian Kainz	24/10/1992	24	Bremen	-	1	0	0	0		
-	Louis Schaub	29/12/1994	22	Rapid Wien	-	2	0	0	0		
-	Florian Grillitsch	07/08/1995	22	Hoffenheim	-	1	0	0	0		
-	Konrad Laimer	27/05/1997	20	Leipzig	-	0	0	0	0		
-	Kevin Danso	19/09/1998	18	Augsburg	-	1	0	0	0		
-	Maximilian Sax	22/11/1992	24	Admira	-	0	0	0	0		
Forwards											
-	Marc Janko	25/06/1983	34	Sparta Praha	*	6	2	0	0		
-	Marko Arnautović	19/04/1989	28	West Ham	-	6	3	0	0		
-	Michael Gregoritsch	18/04/1994	23	Augsburg	-	3	0	0	0		
Coach											
-	Marcel Koller	11/11/1960	56		-	7	0	0	0		

Georgia

No.	Player	DoB	Age	Club	D	Current season					
						Qual.		FT			
						Pld	Gls	Pld	Gls		
Goalkeepers											
-	Nukri Revishvili	02/03/1987	30	Dinamo Tbilisi	-	0	0	0	0		
-	Roin Kvashvadze	31/05/1989	28	Torpedo Kutaisi	-	0	0	0	0		
-	Giorgi Makaridze	31/03/1990	27	Moreirense	-	2	0	0	0		
Defenders											
-	Giorgi Navalovski	28/06/1986	31	SKA-Energiya	-	7	0	0	0		
-	Ucha Lobzhanidze	23/02/1987	30	Atyrau	-	2	0	0	0		
-	Guram Kashia	04/07/1987	30	Vitesse	*	7	0	0	0		
-	Solomon Kverkvelia	06/02/1992	25	Lokomotiv Moskva	-	7	0	0	0		
-	Otar Kakabadze	27/06/1995	22	Esbjerg	*	5	0	0	0		
-	Lasha Shergelashvili	17/01/1992	25	Samtredia	-	0	0	0	0		
-	Jemal Tabidze	18/03/1996	21	Ural	-	1	0	0	0		
Midfielders											
-	Jaba Kankava	18/03/1986	31	Reims	-	3	0	0	0		
-	Giorgi Merebashvili	15/08/1986	31	Wisła Płock	-	2	1	0	0		
-	Murtaz Daushvili	01/05/1989	28	Diósgyőr	-	5	0	0	0		
-	Jano Ananidze	10/10/1992	24	Spartak Moskva	-	5	1	0	0		
-	Nika Kvekveskiri	29/05/1992	25	Tobol	*	3	0	0	0		
-	Valeri Kazaishvili	29/01/1993	24	Legia	-	7	3	0	0		
-	Jambul Jigauri	08/07/1992	25	Vardar	*	4	0	0	0		
-	Valerian Gvilia	24/05/1994	23	BATE	*	5	0	0	0		
Forwards											
-	Vladimer Dvalishvili	20/04/1986	31	Atyrau	-	4	0	0	0		
-	Giorgi Chanturia	11/04/1993	24	Ural	-	3	0	0	0		
-	Davit Khocholava	08/02/1993	24	Shakhtar Donetsk	-	1	0	0	0		
-	Giorgi Kvilitaia	01/10/1993	23	Rapid Wien	-	3	0	0	0		
-	Giorgi Arabidze	04/03/1998	19	Shakhtar Donetsk	*	2	0	0	0		
Coach											
-	Vladimír Weiss	22/09/1964	52		-	7	0	0	0		

Head coach

Marcel Koller

Date of birth: 11 November 1960

Nationality: Swiss

Playing career: Grasshopper Club Zürich

Coaching career: FC Wil 1900, FC St Gallen, Grasshopper Club Zürich, 1. FC Köln, VfL Bochum 1848, Austria

- A former midfielder, Koller spent his entire playing career with Swiss side Grasshoppers, making over 400 league appearances from 1978 to 1997 and winning seven league titles and five Swiss Cups.
- Capped 55 times by Switzerland, he scored three goals for his country and made two appearances at EURO '96, coming off the bench in the 1-1 draw with hosts England and starting the 1-0 loss to Scotland.
- Began coaching career at Wil in 1997 and took over at St Gallen two years later, leading the club to their first Swiss championship since 1903/04 in his maiden season. Returned to Grasshoppers in 2002 and promptly secured the Swiss league crown, but resigned in October 2003 after a disappointing run.
- Appointed by Köln the following month, he was sacked after the Bundesliga team finished the season bottom, yet bounced back at Bochum in 2005, earning promotion to the top tier in his first campaign.
- Dismissed by Bochum in September 2009, Koller was installed as Austria coach on 4 October 2011, replacing Dietmar Constantini. Missed out on a place at the 2014 FIFA World Cup but earned a contract extension until December 2015 and rewarded that faith by overseeing a first successful UEFA European Championship qualifying campaign as Austria reached UEFA EURO 2016, although they failed to get out of their group in France.

Vladimír Weiss

Date of birth: 22 September 1964

Nationality: Slovakian

Playing career: VTJ Agro Hurbanovo, AŠK Inter Bratislava, AC Sparta Praha, FK Drnovice, DAC Dunajská Streda, 1. FC Košice, FC Artmedia

Coaching career: FC Artmedia (twice), FC Saturn Moskovskaya Oblast, Slovakia, ŠK Slovan Bratislava, FC Kairat Almaty, Georgia

- Bratislava-born, Weiss spent six and a half years developing his talent as a defensive midfielder with local club Inter. First capped for Czechoslovakia in 1988 and won three of his 19 caps at the 1990 FIFA World Cup.
- Had brief spell at Sparta Praha, winning final Czechoslovakian championship in 1993. Won a further dozen caps for Slovakia, scoring his country's first post-independence goal, against United Arab Emirates in February 1994. Ended playing career with Artmedia, serving as an assistant coach until 2000 when he took the top job.
- Led Artmedia to Slovakian Cup in 2005 and league title a year later before knocking out Celtic FC and FK Partizan to reach UEFA Champions League group stage, where team registered famous 3-2 win at FC Porto. Left for Russian club Saturn in early 2006 but returned to Artmedia 18 months later and masterminded domestic double.
- Appointed national team coach in June 2008 in place of Ján Kocian and steered Slovakia to first appearance at a FIFA World Cup finals as qualifying group winners, including historic 2-1 win away to the Czech Republic. Better followed in South Africa, Slovakia reaching the last 16 by eliminating holders Italy and only losing to the Netherlands.
- Coached Slovakia in tandem with Slovan Bratislava in 2011/12 and led his hometown club into their first UEFA Europa League group stage. Nearly did the same with Kairat only losing against Bordeaux on away goals in play-offs. Left Almaty in November 2015 having won Kazakhstan Cups in successive seasons. Hired by Georgia in March 2016.

Match officials

Referee	Orel Grinfeld (ISR)
Assistant referees	Danny Krasikow (ISR) , Amihay Yehoshua Mozes (ISR)
Fourth official	Eitan Shmuelevitz (ISR)
FIFA Match Commissioner	Duško Grabovac (CRO)
Referee observer	Elmir Pilav (BIH)

Referee

Name	Date of birth		UEFA matches
Orel Grinfeld	21/08/1981	0	33

FIFA World Cup matches involving teams from the two countries involved in this match

No such matches refereed

Other matches involving teams from either of the two countries involved in this match

Date	Competition	Stage reached	Home	Away	Result	Venue
23/07/2013	U19	GS-FT	Serbia	Georgia	1-0	Marijampole
24/07/2014	UEL	2QR	SV Grödig	FK Čukarički	1-2	Salzburg

Competition facts

The Week of Football concept enables fans around the world to enjoy the very best action from the European Qualifiers – which will determine UEFA's representatives at the 2018 FIFA World Cup in Russia.

Qualifying for the 2018 FIFA World Cup comprises nine groups of six teams, with matches played on a home-and-away basis.

Qualifying takes place under the 'Week of Football' concept, introduced ahead of the UEFA EURO 2016 qualifying campaign, in which games are spread out from Thursday to Tuesday, shining the spotlight on more teams on the road to the finals in Russia. Moreover, thanks to the Week of Football, at least 43% of matches will be played on weekends, giving fans a better chance to follow the action on television, in the stadiums and on UEFA.com.

Kick-off times will be set mainly at 18:00CET and 20:45CET on Saturdays and Sundays and at 20:45CET for Thursdays, Fridays, Mondays and Tuesdays. In double-header matchweeks, sides will play on Thursday/Sunday, Friday/Monday or Saturday/Tuesday. Each day of the Week of Football will feature eight to ten games.

The nine group winners will qualify directly for the final tournament. The eight best runners-up will contest play-offs to decide the last four qualifiers for the finals.

The 13 qualifiers then join hosts Russia in the finals to make it 14 UEFA member associations represented.

How qualification works

The other confederations have the following qualifying berths:

Africa: 5

Asia: 4.5

North and Central America and Caribbean: 3.5

Oceania: 0.5

South America: 4.5

Match-by-match lineups

Austria

FIFA World Cup - Qualifying round

Group D

Team	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
Serbia	7	4	3	0	16	7	15
Republic of Ireland	7	3	4	0	9	5	13
Wales	7	2	5	0	10	5	11
Austria	7	2	2	3	9	9	8
Georgia	7	0	4	3	7	11	4
Moldova	7	0	2	5	4	18	2

Matchday 1 (05/09/2016)

Georgia 1-2 Austria

Goals: 0-1 Hinteregger 16, 0-2 Janko 42, 1-2 Ananidze 78

Austria: Almer, Dragović, Hinteregger, Arnautović, Alaba, Junuzović (67 Schöpf), Harnik (72 Sabitzer), Suttner, Baumgartlinger, Klein, Janko (76 Gregoritsch)

Matchday 2 (06/10/2016)

Austria 2-2 Wales

Goals: 0-1 Allen 22, 1-1 Arnautović 28, 1-2 Wimmer 45+1 (og) , 2-2 Arnautović 48

Austria: Almer (58 Özcan), Dragović, Hinteregger, Wimmer, Arnautović (87 Schaub), Alaba, Sabitzer, Junuzović (79 Schöpf), Baumgartlinger, Klein, Janko

Matchday 3 (09/10/2016)

Serbia 3-2 Austria

Goals: 1-0 A. Mitrović 6, 1-1 Sabitzer 16, 2-1 A. Mitrović 23, 2-2 Janko 62, 3-2 Tadić 74

Austria: Özcan, Dragović (71 Prödl), Hinteregger, Wimmer, Arnautović, Alaba, Sabitzer, Junuzović (63 Schöpf), Baumgartlinger (58 Ilsanker), Klein, Janko

Matchday 4 (12/11/2016)

Austria 0-1 Republic of Ireland

Goals: 0-1 McClean 48

Austria: Özcan, Dragović, Hinteregger, Wimmer (78 Ilsanker), Arnautović, Alaba, Sabitzer (73 Harnik), Baumgartlinger, Klein, Schöpf (57 Schaub), Janko

Matchday 5 (24/03/2017)

Austria 2-0 Moldova

Goals: 1-0 Arnautović 75, 2-0 Harnik 90

Austria: Lindner, Dragović, Hinteregger, Ilsanker, Arnautović (93 Suttner), Alaba, Sabitzer, Junuzović, Prödl, Burgstaller (82 Harnik), Lazaro (69 Janko)

Matchday 6 (11/06/2017)

Republic of Ireland 1-1 Austria

Goals: 0-1 Hinteregger 31, 1-1 Walters 85

Austria: Lindner, Lainer, Dragović, Hinteregger, Alaba, Kainz (90 Gregoritsch), Junuzović (79 Grillitsch), Baumgartlinger, Prödl, Burgstaller (75 Harnik), Lazaro

Matchday 7 (02/09/2017)

Wales 1-0 Austria

Goals: 1-0 Woodburn 74

Austria: Lindner, Lainer, Dragović, Hinteregger, Ilsanker, Arnautović, Alaba, Sabitzer (78 Gregoritsch), Harnik (81 Janko), Baumgartlinger, Prödl (27 Danso)

Matchday 8 (05/09/2017)

Austria-Georgia

Matchday 9 (06/10/2017)

Austria-Serbia

Matchday 10 (09/10/2017)

Moldova-Austria

Georgia

FIFA World Cup - Qualifying round

Matchday 1 (05/09/2016)

Georgia 1-2 Austria

Goals: 0-1 Hinteregger 16, 0-2 Janko 42, 1-2 Ananidze 78

Georgia: Loria, Lobzhanidze (84 Chanturia), Kverkvelia, Kashia, Amisulashvili (76 Okriashvili), Daushvili, Ananidze, Kazaishvili, Dvalishvili (63 Skhirtladze), Jigauri, Navalovski

Matchday 2 (06/10/2016)

Republic of Ireland 1-0 Georgia

Goals: 1-0 Coleman 56

Georgia: Loria, Kakabadze, Kashia, Kverkvelia, Daushvili (93 Katcharava), Ananidze (73 Skhirtladze), Kazaishvili, Okriashvili, Gvilia, Navalovski (89 Kobakhidze), Mchedlidze

Matchday 3 (09/10/2016)

Wales 1-1 Georgia

Goals: 1-0 Bale 10, 1-1 Okriashvili 57

Georgia: Loria, Kakabadze, Kashia, Kverkvelia, Daushvili, Ananidze (93 Katcharava), Kazaishvili, Okriashvili (91 Jigauri), Gvilia, Navalovski, Mchedlidze (75 Dvalishvili)

Matchday 4 (12/11/2016)

Georgia 1-1 Moldova

Goals: 1-0 Kazaishvili 16, 1-1 Gaţcan 78

Georgia: Loria, Kashia, Kverkvelia, Daushvili, Kazaishvili (80 Skhirtladze), Okriashvili, Chanturia, Kvilitaia (64 Kankava), Gvilia (71 Dvalishvili), Kakabadze, Navalovski

Matchday 5 (24/03/2017)

Georgia 1-3 Serbia

Goals: 1-0 Katcharava 6, 1-1 Tadić 45 (P) , 1-2 A. Mitrović 64, 1-3 Gačinović 86

Georgia: Loria, Kashia, Kverkvelia, Kvekveskiri, Kankava, Kazaishvili (83 Kvilitaia), Ananidze, Katcharava, Gvilia (90 Jigauri), Kakabadze (70 Arabidze), Navalovski

Matchday 6 (11/06/2017)

Moldova 2-2 Georgia

Goals: 1-0 Gînsari 15, 2-0 Dedov 36, 2-1 Merebashvili 65, 2-2 Kazaishvili 70

Georgia: Makaridze, Lobzhanidze (35 Kvekveskiri), Tabidze, Kashia, Kverkvelia, Daushvili (46 Kazaishvili), Kankava, Dvalishvili (65 Merebashvili), Katcharava, Arabidze, Navalovski

Matchday 7 (02/09/2017)

Georgia 1-1 Republic of Ireland

Goals: 0-1 Duffy 4, 1-1 Kazaishvili 34

Georgia: Makaridze, Kashia, Kverkvelia, Ananidze, Kazaishvili (93 Khocholava), Kvekveskiri, Kvilitaia (85 Merebashvili), Gvilia, Jigauri (75 Chanturia), Kakabadze, Navalovski

Matchday 8 (05/09/2017)

Austria-Georgia

Matchday 9 (06/10/2017)

Georgia-Wales

Matchday 10 (09/10/2017)

Serbia-Georgia

Legend

Competitions

Club competitions

UCL: UEFA Champions League
ECCC: European Champion Clubs' Cup
UEL: UEFA Europa League
UCUP: UEFA Cup
UCWC: UEFA Cup Winners' Cup
SCUP: UEFA Super Cup
UIC: UEFA Intertoto Cup
ICF: Inter-Cities Fairs Cup

National team competitions

EURO: UEFA European Football Championship
WC: FIFA World Cup
CONFCUP: FIFA Confederations Cup
FRIE: Friendly internationals
U21FRIE: Under-21 friendly internationals
U21: UEFA European Under-21 Championship
U17: UEFA Under-17 Championship
U16: UEFA European Under-16 Championship
U19: UEFA Under-19 Championship
U18: UEFA European Under-18 Championship
WWC: FIFA Women's World Cup
WEURO: UEFA European Women's Championship

Other abbreviations

(aet): After extra time
No.: Number
ag: Match decided on away goals
agg: Aggregate
AP: Appearances
Comp.: Competition
D: Drawn
DoB: Date of birth
ET: Extra Time
GA: Goals against
GF: Goals for
gg: Match decided by golden goal
L: Lost
Nat.: Nationality

pens: Penalties
og: Own goal
P: Penalty
Pld: Matches played
Pos.: Position
Pts: Points
R: Sent off (straight red card)
Res.: Result
sg: Match decided by silver goal
t: Match decided by toss of a coin
W: Won
Y: Booked
Y/R: Sent off (two yellow cards)
N/A: Not applicable

Statistics

-: Denotes player substituted
*****: Denotes player sent off

+: Denotes player introduced
+/-: Denotes player introduced and substituted

Squad list

D: Disciplinary
*****: Misses next match if booked
S: Suspended

Overall: Total appearances in the UEFA European Under-21 Championship final tournament only

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